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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE, INFO ATHENS, NICOSIA, THE HAGUE,
THESSALONIKI, ADANA, ISTANBUL, IZMIR, JULY 19, FROM ANKARA
RPTD TO YOU:

QUOTE S E C R E T ANKARA 5693

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: CYPRUS COUP: SEARCH FOR SETTLEMENT

ATHENS FOR UNDERSECRETARY SISCO'S PARTY

1. WHILE WE OF COURSE SUPPORT APPROACH TO CYPRUS PROBLEM
TAKEN IN LONDON AND ATHENS, WE MUST STRONGLY EMPHASIZE
THAT BASIC REQUIREMENT FOR DEFUSING CRISIS IS TO PROVIDE TURKS
AN ALTERNATIVE THAT SUFFICIENTLY MEETH THEIR INTERESTS TO DEVIATE
NEED FOR INTERVENTION. THEY SIMPLY WILL NOT ACCEPT IDEA THAT FAIT
ACCOMPLI IN CYPRUS MUST BE LIVED WITH.

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2. IT IS JUDGMENT OF ALL COMPONENTS THIS EMBASSY THAT TURKS

WILL MOVE MILITARILY--AND IN VERY SHORT TIME FRAME--IF SATISFACTORY
PEACEFUL ALTERNATIVE IS NOT PRODUCED QUICKLY. FURTHERMORE,
IF CERTAIN MILITARY COMMANDERS HAVE THEIR WAY, FORCES COULD
ENTER ACTION AT ANY TIME FROM NOW ON.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT TURKS MAY HAVE COOLED ON THEIR ORIGINAL
DEMAND FOR RESTORATION OF STATUS QUO ANTE (INCLUDING REINSTATEMENT
OF MAKARIOS). WHAT TURKS SEEM TO BE LOOKING FOR IS EITHER RETURN
TO PREVIOUS CONSTITUTIONAL REGIME OR A VISIBLE IMPROVEMENT IN
THE POSITION, BOTH AS REGARDS CIVIL RIGHTS AND
SECURITY, OF TURK RESIDENTS ON ISLAND. ACOMBER UNQUOTE.
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